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For: BANDAGING DEVICE FOR SEQUESTERING A WOUND OR  
INOCULATION SITE

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Sir:

Responsive to the Election of Species dated June 14, 2006, Applicant hereby elects Figures 4 and 5 as the species for prosecution. Claims readable on the elected species are Claims 17-20 and 34-44. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicant does not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

It is respectfully noted that the Examiner has grouped the claims in the species requirement such that the claim groups do not match the figures. Claims 34-38 are drawn to a device that has a first flange where at least one section located on the first flange is substantially liquid-impermeable and vapor-permeable, such as a window. See Figures 4 and 5, rather than Figure 3 where the window is not located on the flange. Claims 39, 17-20 and 41-44 have a configuration of Figures 4 and 5 that has a first flange where at least one section located on the first flange is substantially liquid-impermeable and vapor-permeable, such as a window. Method Claim 40 is of similar scope to independent Claim 39. All of these claims read on the elected species.

Applicant respectfully requests that Claims 24, 25, 27 (Figures 8 and 9) be also considered as they are directed to having a flange where at least one section located on the flange is substantially liquid-impermeable and vapor-permeable, such as a window.

An extension of time to respond to the Election of Species is respectfully requested. A Petition for an Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently.

Please amend the application as follows: